CITY OF LAKE STEVENS LAKE STEVENS, WASHINGTON

RESOLUTION No. 2013-7

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAKE STEVENS, ADOPTING POLICY FOR CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL OF HONORARY STREET DESIGNATION

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Stevens, Washington is a City in Snohomish County, Washington, planning under the Growth Management Act; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lake Stevens has a City policy and procedure for assigning permanent street names and house numbers (City Policy No. P-1-97); and

WHEREAS, in June 2013, the City Council discussed allowing honorary street designations; and

WHEREAS, the City already has historical street names on some streets in addition to the official numbered street name; and

WHEREAS, it is in the City's best interest to coordinate the designation of street names and addresses in order to avoid motorist confusion, facilitate emergency services, and help ensure prompt delivery of goods and services; and

WHEREAS, the concept of establishing honorary street designations in addition to the legal street names serves the purpose of recognizing specific individuals in the community without the costs and confusion permanent street name changes can cause; and

WHEREAS, an honorary street designation would not change the official street name, but like the historical street names be an additional street designation; and

WHEREAS, honorary street designation would not be used for addressing purposes and therefore would not change existing property addresses; and

WHEREAS, this action is exempt from the requirements of the State Environmental Policy Act as a procedural action pursuant to WAC 197-11-800(19); and

WHEREAS, the City Council took public comments on the proposed Honorary Street Designation Policy in Exhibit A on September 9, 2013 and considered all public comments.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LAKE STEVENS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The policy for honorary street designations (P-1-2013), attached hereto as Exhibit A, is hereby approved.

Section 2. <u>Severability</u>. If any section, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution should be held invalid or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such invalidity or

unconstitutionality shall not affect the validity or constitutionality of any other section, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution.

Section 3. <u>Effective Date</u>. This resolution shall take effect immediately upon passage by the Lake Stevens City Council.

PASSED by the City Council of the City of Lake Stevens this 23 day of September 2013.

Vern Little, Mayor

ATTEST:

Norma J. Scott, City Clerk/Admin. Asst

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Grant K. Weed, City Attorney

EXHIBIT A HONORARY STREET DESIGNATION POLICY AND PROCESS City Policy No. P-1-2013

Section 1. Purpose of the Program

The Honorary Street Designation Program allows citizens and groups the opportunity to honor individuals or groups that have made significant contributions to the Community as a first responder. The program is administered by the Public Works Department. Street designations will be permanently displayed unless other directed by the City Council. At any time, the sign can be turned over to the respected party upon request with Council's concurrence. Street designations will be determined by Council on a case by case basis. The portion of a street so designated will be one block long. Final approval is given by the City Council by resolution. A completed application must be submitted prior to approval.

Section 2. Definition

Honorary street designation signs are signs posted below standard City street name/number signs which recognize and honor certain individuals or groups for a period of time without changing the official name/number of the street or the official addresses of residences and businesses on the street.

Section 3. Description

The honorary sign shall be a single-faced 12 inch by 8 inch sign posted on one side of the street at an intersection on the regular street sign pole. If the applicant wants a sign on each side of the street at both intersections of a block, then the application requires a doubling of the fees. Signs shall be white lettering on dark brown background with a white border and may include a symbol. Only one honorary sign will be allowed on a sign pole because of the physical limitation of street sign poles.

Section 4. Requests for Honorary Signs

Requests shall be made on a City provided application form returned to the City Clerk to forward to the Public Works Department and then to the City Council for consideration. The request shall describe the details of the intersection location and the honorary name desired. A justification for the honorary designation shall also be provided.

Section 5. Qualifications for Honorary Recognition

This method of honoring individuals or groups is reserved for a person or entity that is/has been a first responder, has gone beyond the call of duty and/or has demonstrated contribution to the community in the line-of-duty, and has some connection to the Lake Stevens community.

Section 6. Approval

The honorary designation would be approved by City Council resolution after public comments are taken during a public meeting. The Public Works Department will be responsible for implementing the honorary street designation.

Section 7. Costs

The City shall budget for and cover the entire cost of design, fabrication, shipping and maintenance. Up to two replacement signs may be covered by the City unless approved by the City Council.

Section 8. Renewals

Renewals, if desired at the end of a Council specified expiration, will be handled like new requests with all applicable rules in effect at that time. Council may renew the honorary designation upon request or at their sole discretion. If renewal is not granted, the honorary status will be discontinued and the sign removed by the Public Works Department. The sign may then be given to the original applicant or other designee such as a family member.